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Ms. Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary
Department of Telecommunications and Energy
One South Station, 2nd Floor
Boston, Massachusetts 02110

Re: KeySpan Energy Delivery New England, D.T.E. 05-68

Dear Secretary Cottrell:

Pursuant to the procedural schedule adopted in this proceeding, the Attorney General submits this letter as his response to the Initial Brief filed by KeySpan Energy Delivery New England ("KeySpan" or the "Company") on April 13, 2006.

The Company's Initial Brief does not include any additional issues that require comment and so the Attorney General will not submit a reply brief. The Department should reject the Company's Petition. Silence by the Attorney General in regard to any arguments in the Company's brief should not be interpreted as assent.¹

Sincerely,

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cc: Service List

¹ The Attorney General reserves his right to respond to any Company Reply Brief. G.L. c. 30A § 11(1).